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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Hon. Jose L. Linares

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Crim. No. 07-982

SHAMAR RANKINS

CONTINUANCE ORDER

This matter having come before the Court on the joint application of Ralph J.

Marra, Jr., Acting United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey (by Randall H. Cook,
Assistant U.S. Attorney) and defendant Shamar Rankins (by Frank Arleo, Esq.) for an order
granting a continuance of the proceedings in the above-captioned matter to allow the parties to
conduct plea negotiations and attempt to finalize a plea agreement, and the defendant being
aware that he has the right to have the matter brought to trial within 70 days of the date of his
appearance before a judicial officer of this court pursuant to Title 18 of the United States Code,
Section 3161(c)(1), and the defendant having consented to the continuance and waived such
right, and six continuances having previously been granted by the Court pursuant to Title 18,
United States Code, Section 3161(h)(8)(A), and for good cause shown,

IT IS THE FINDING OF THIS COURT that this action should be continued for the following reasons:

- i. Plea negotiations are currently in progress, and both the United States and the defendant desire additional time to finalize a plea agreement, which would render indistment of this matter unnecessary;
  - ii. The grant of a continuance will likely conserve judicial resources;

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iii. Pursuant to Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 3161(h)(8), the ends of justice served by granting the continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial;

WHEREFORE, on this 2009,

IT IS ORDERED that this action be, and hereby is, continued from May 1, 2009 through August 1, 2009; and it is further

ORDERED that the period from May 1, 2009 through August 1, 2009, shall be excludable in computing time under the Speedy Trial Act of 1974, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3161(h)(8).

Hon. Jose L. Linares

/United States District Judge

Form and entry consented to:

Randall H. Cook Assistant U.S. Attorney

Frank Arleo, Esq.

Counsel for defendant Shamar Rankins